

SENATE BILL 1270

By Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38,
Chapter 8, Part 1, relative to supplementary pay
for certain law enforcement officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-110, is amended by adding the language "and members of the Tennessee highway patrol" after the word "sheriffs".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-111, is amended by adding the following language as new subsection (g) and by redesignating the present language accordingly:

(g)

(1) All law enforcement officers employed by the state of Tennessee, including but not limited to the Tennessee highway patrol, who now or hereafter are included by statute within the minimum standards provisions of this chapter, as administered by Tennessee peace officer standards and training commission, shall be subject to the provisions of this subsection for purposes of salary supplements. Such law enforcement officers who complete annual in-service training shall receive cash salary supplements as provided by the commission for police officers. The commission shall apply the terms and conditions of this chapter to any such law enforcement officers.

(2) State law enforcement officers specified in subdivision (g)(1) who successfully complete such annual training shall receive cash salary supplements in the same manner and under the same conditions as set forth in this part for police officers, except that the commission shall make the funds for

salary supplements available to the state for payment to said law enforcement officers.

(3) The commission shall issue to state law enforcement officers specified in subdivision (g)(1) who successfully complete recruit training, or possessing its equivalency, and completing continuing annual training, a certificate of compliance in the manner in which it issues police officers' certificates of compliance. A law enforcement officer already holding any certificate of compliance from the commission may request the commission to recognize such law enforcement officer's certification. A law enforcement officer receiving a certificate of compliance has a continuing duty to meet all requirements as set forth in this section. In the event a person holding a police officer's certificate of compliance is employed by the state as a law enforcement officer, as specified in subdivision (g)(1), the commission shall substitute a state law enforcement officer's certificate of compliance for the police officer's certificate.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.